

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants: ARAI et al  
Serial No.: 10/790,180  
Filed: March 2, 2004  
For: Method Of Detecting Particles And A Processing  
Apparatus Using The Same  
Art Unit: 1792  
Examiner: R. Zervigon  
Conf. No.: 3237

**PETITION FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME**

Mail Stop: Amendment (Fee)  
Commissioner For Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

September 1, 2009

Sir:

In the matter of the above-identified application, applicants hereby respectfully petition for an extension of time to permit the filing of a response within the third month subsequent to the expiration of the shortened statutory period set in the outstanding Office Action mailed March 2, 2009.

An electronic payment in the amount of \$1,110.00 to cover the fee required for the requested extension of time is being submitted concurrently herewith.

It is respectfully requested that any shortage in the fee be charged to the deposit account of Antonelli, Terry, Stout & Kraus, LLP, Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (Case: 501.43537X00).

Respectfully submitted,

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